

## THREE RIVERS LEVEE IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

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A progress report of the various phases of the Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority (TRLIA) project is provided in the followings sections of this document.

## **Levee Design and Construction Work**

Phase 2 Levee Repair - Bear River Station 131 and easterly, Western Pacific Interceptor Canal and Yuba River from just east of Highway 70 to the Union Pacific Railroad: All levee repair work is complete. There are some drainage features at the Caltrans Maintenance Yard that will be done this winter as weather allows.

Phase 3 Construction – Bear River Setback Levee between the Feather River Levee and the limit of Phase 2 Construction: All work is done and this reach of the Bear now has 200-year protection. Restoration plantings are being monitored and maintained.

Phase 4 – Yuba River Levee between the Union Pacific Railroad and the Goldfields: The slurry wall from the UPRR to Simpson lane is complete. TRLIA is waiting on the Reclamation Board staff to complete their review of the hydraulic analysis to determine if raising the levee will be allowed. The results of this hydraulic review are scheduled to be presented by Reclamation Board staff at the March 2007 State Reclamation Board meeting. A small seepage berm remains to be done at the UPRR. Real estate negotiations are underway for the area of the seepage berm and the berm should be placed by June 2007. Design continues on the erosion problem that exists just downstream of the Goldfields. This was a site of erosion during the 1997 event. This site is scheduled to be protected in the summer of 2007.

Phase 4 – Feather River Levee between Bear and Yuba Rivers: Design continues on Segments 1 and 3 which will be strengthened in place with construction scheduled for the summer of 2007. 90% Plans and specifications should be issued for review by January 19. The Alternatives Report for Segment 2 was issued on December 22, 2006. CEQA documentation for Phase 4 Feather levee improvements is nearing completion. The public comment period closed on September 18, 2006. The Final EIR including responses to comments and revisions to the report was issued on November 7. The TRLIA Board has not certified the EIR or made a selection on an alternative for Segment 2. These actions are not anticipated to occur until early 2007. This is to allow time to determine if the setback alternative is viable.